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NOTIFICATION

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No. PAP/Legis-2(11)/2024/163. The Code of Criminal Procedure (Punjab Amendment) Bill 2024, having been passed by the Provincial Assembly of the Punjab on October 11, 2024, and assented to by the Governor of the Punjab on October 16, 2024, is hereby published as an Act of the Provincial Assembly of the Punjab.

THE CODE OF CRIMINAL PROCEDURE (PUNJAB AMENDMENT) ACT 2024

ACT X OF 2024

[First published, after having received the assent of the Governor of the Punjab, in the Gazette of the Punjab (Extraordinary) dated October 17, 2024.]

An Act

to amend the Code of Criminal Procedure, 1898.

It is necessary to amend the Code of Criminal Procedure, 1898 (V of 1898) for the purposes hereinafter appearing.

Be it enacted by Provincial Assembly of the Punjab as follows:

1. **Short title and commencement.**— (1) This Act may be cited as the Code of Criminal Procedure (Punjab Amendment) Act 2024.
(2) This Act shall come into force at once.
2. **Amendment in section 144 of Act V of 1898.**— In the Code of Criminal Procedure, 1898 (V of 1898), in section 144:
 - (a) in sub-sections (1), (4) and (5), for the words "Zila Nazim" wherever occur, the expression "Deputy Commissioner or Secretary to the Government of the Punjab, Home Department" shall be substituted;
 - (b) in sub-section (1), the words "upon the written recommendation of the District Superintendent of Police or Executive District Officer" shall be omitted;
 - (c) for sub-section (6), the following shall be substituted:

"(6) The order made by the Deputy Commissioner, under this section shall remain in force for not more than thirty days from the making thereof, and the order made by the Secretary to the Government of the Punjab, Home Department under this section shall remain in force for not more than ninety days from the making thereof, unless, in cases of danger to human life, health or safety, or a likelihood of a riot or an affray, Government of the Punjab by notification otherwise directs."; and
 - (d) sub-section (7) shall be omitted.

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Secretary General